

**Kirkland Transportation Commission
Meeting Notes
Wednesday March 27, 2013**

Call to Order

Chair Pfundt called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Members Present: Tom Neir, Carl Wilson, John Perlic, Sandeep Singhal, Tom Pendergrass, Mike Snow, Colin Pate. Kirkland Staff Present: Dave Godfrey, Don Anderson, Public Works Department

Approval of meeting notes from February 27, 2013 meeting.

Approved as presented.

Public Comment

Mr. Brian Rohrback: Commented on the proposed Hector's development. Presented a written document (Note: electronic version sent to Commission 4/8/13). Identified key issues of parking in, and width of existing alley that will be used to serve the proposed development, out of date traffic studies and safety of Merrill Gardens residents. Mr. Rohrback was also concerned about the size of the proposed development.

Mr. Robert Scheuerman: Presented written comments. (Note: electronic version sent to Commission 4/8/13). Noted that ST3 planning may include Commuter Rail in the CKC and this would mean that the tracks would need to be removed. Design speed for the facility may be in the 50 to 60 MPH range.

Mr. Scott Foote: Commented on concerns about removal of rail from the CKC. Previously he was involved with a group trying to establish rail in the corridor. Described a machine that can lay new rail from existing rail. He stated that with the existing rail, Sound Transit could run from Tacoma to Snohomish County.

Mr. Dwight Baker: Complimented staff on the production of pedestrian safety postcards. Commented on an intersection (Note: staff interpretation of the location is of 3rd Street/7th Avenue) where he was recently almost hit as a pedestrian and where he had been almost hit in the past. Requested changes at this intersection. Also commented on the CKC, requesting a more complete analysis before rails are removed and noting that a 10' wide interim trail is too narrow.

The Commission asked Staff to bring back follow up, as appropriate, to the Commission at the next meeting.

ITS Update

Staff presented an update on ITS phase I and phase II. The Commission accepted the update and asked questions about topics including ability to implement adaptive control, video on a website, and how much of the fiber is already installed.

Juanita Drive Corridor Study

Project Engineer Don Anderson and Don Samdahl, a consultant to the project, presented the project scope and schedule and discussed how the Transportation Commission will be involved. This included a return to the Commission planned for the December meeting. The project scope will include a large amount of community involvement and will include a look at pedestrian and bicycle needs as well as a host of other street design issues.

Kirkland Greenways

Glen Buhlman and Caron LeMay of Kirkland Greenways presented on the work of their organization. A short video describing Portland Greenways was shown followed by a short presentation by Mr. Buhlman including a way of looking at bicycle rider types by the types of facilities they need. Discussion and questions by the Commission followed. The Commission was favorable toward the concept and asked that it be included in the Transportation Master Plan.

Boardwalk Concept

Commissioner Neir discussed the work of the subcommittee and asked that the Boardwalk concept be included in the Transportation Master Plan development rather than continuing as a separate study. The Commission agreed with this approach.

Recognition of Colin Pate

Because the March 2013 meeting is his last meeting, Commissioner Colin Pate (youth member) was recognized for his service by the Commission and was presented a certificate of Appreciation by Chair Pfundt. Staff and Commissioners noted Mr. Pate's contributions.

Cross Kirkland Corridor Master Plan

Staff presented a memo describing nine scope options with recommended action. The Commission agreed with the staff recommendations and offered several comments on each point.

Updates from Commissioners and Staff

Staff reported on the Transportation Master Plan, possible bicycle/pedestrian safety summit in May, kickoff event for CKC on April 27. **Neir:** Commented that since the Commission is working on higher profile issues, it may need to show itself more publicly. **Pendergrass:** Mentioned that he and Commissioner Neir had been reappointed for a new four year term. All others had no comments.

Meeting adjourned Unanimously approved to adjourn 8:48 p.m.